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Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that during calendar year 1971, U.S. exports of domestic and foreign merchandise, excluding Department of Defense (DOD) Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments were valued at $43,555.3 million, an increase of about 2 percent over the calendar year 1970 total of $42,659.3 million. General imports for the calendar year were valued at $45,602.1 million, an increase of about 14 percent over the comparable 1970 total of $39,951.6 million.

The 1971 calendar year trade deficit is $2,046.8 million. The excess of imports over exports for calendar year 1971 is the first annual deficit in the U.S. merchandise trade figures since 1893. The Bureau noted that the 1893 figures were compiled on a fiscal year (July-June) basis.

The Bureau stated that during December 1971, exports of domestic and foreign merchandise, excluding Department of Defense (DOD) Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments, on a seasonally adjusted basis were valued at $3,858.6 million; seasonally adjusted general imports were valued at $4,132.3 million. [1] [2] Comparable figures for November were $3,159.7 million for exports and $3,386.9 million for imports. Based on seasonally adjusted figures the merchandise trade deficit amounted to $273.7 million in December.

Although exports and imports were at higher levels in December than in November, the Bureau noted that both figures reflect the influence of "above normal" activity at U.S. ports. U.S. east and gulf coast ports resumed operations during this period after having been idled by dock strikes which began on October 1, and continued into late November. Activity at U.S. west coast ports may have been affected by the anticipation of the resumption of dock strikes which were halted by injunctions in early October, effective through late December. The Bureau, however, does not have adequate information to enable it to specifically measure the influence of the strikes or anticipated strikes on the statistics.

For the 4-month period September-December 1971, exports on a seasonally adjusted basis averaged $3,559.7 million per month, a level about 3 percent below the $3,653.5 million average reported for the preceding 4-month period May-August 1971. Imports averaged $3,823.9 million per month for the current 4-month period, a level about 3 percent below the $3,931.5 million average reported for the preceding 4-month period.

Seasonally adjusted export and import totals for selected Schedule A and B commodity sections and divisions are shown in tables 4 and 5. (Unlike the overall

[1] *Adjusted for seasonal and working-day variation, but not for price level.*

[2] *Cumulations of data over at least 3- or 4-month periods are desirable to identify underlying trends. Month-to-month changes in exports, imports, and similar series often reflect primarily irregular movements. Recent month-to-month percent changes in the overall seasonally adjusted export and import series are presented in the following table with average percent month-to-month rise and decline over longer periods shown for comparison. The average rise and decline figures exclude percentage changes for (1) the periods January-May 1965 and December 1968-March 1969 because of abnormalities in the data due to effects of strikes and (2) periods when negligible changes (zero percent) in the level of exports/imports occurred:*

Series	Month-to-month				Average monthly rates of change			
	Nov.-Dec. 1971	Oct.-Nov. 1971	Sept.-Oct. 1971	Aug.-Sept. 1971	Average rise 1965-1970	Average decline 1965-1970	4 months Aug.-Dec. 1971	12 months Dec. 1970-Dec. 1971
Exports....	+22.1%	+16.6%	-39.9%	+22.6%	+4.2%	-3.5%	+5.4%	+2.1%
Imports....	+22.0%	-4.1%	-16.8%	+7.9%	+3.3%	-2.8%	+2.3%	+2.0%

Inquiries concerning these figures should be addressed to the Chief, Foreign Trade Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233. Tel: Area Code 301, 440-1431.

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total, the commodity components for exports exclude foreign merchandise and include DOD Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments.)

Exports unadjusted for seasonal change and excluding Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments, increased from $3,220.7 million in November to $4,056.5 million in December. With Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments included, December exports were valued at $4,088.9 million as compared to $3,263.9 million in November. Unadjusted general imports amounted to $4,282.7 million in December and $3,530.5 million in November.

U.S. annual export totals, excluding Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments, for the 10 year period 1962 through 1971 are as follows: 1962--$21.0 billion; 1963--$22.4 billion; 1964--$25.7 billion; 1965--$26.7 billion; 1966--$29.4 billion; 1967--$30.9 billion; 1968--$34.1 billion; 1969--$37.3 billion; 1970--$42.7 billion; and 1971--$43.6 billion. Annual general import totals for the same time span are as follows: 1962--$16.4 billion; 1963--$17.1 billion; 1964--$18.7 billion; 1965--$21.4 billion; 1966--$25.5 billion; 1967--$26.8 billion; 1968--$33.2 billion; 1969--$36.0 billion; 1970--$40.0 billion; and 1971--$45.6 billion.

EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

Import Statistics

General imports are a combination of entries for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. Imports for consumption are a combination of entries for immediate consumption and withdrawals from warehouses for consumption.

The dollar value shown in the import statistics is defined generally as the market value in the foreign country and therefore excludes U.S. import duties, freight charges from the foreign country to the United States, and insurance. Value information is required to be reported on import entries in accordance with Sections 402 and 402a of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

It is the objective of the compiling procedures to include shipments, insofar as practicable, in the statistics for the month of import, which is based on the filing date of the import entry or warehouse withdrawal document.[1] However, because of processing problems, there has always been a carryover of a small percentage of items from the actual month of importation to a subsequent month, usually the succeeding month. The carryover should have little effect on month-to-month comparisons of overall totals, since the carryover of the previous month should compensate roughly for that of the following month.

Export Statistics

Exports of domestic merchandise include commodities which are grown, produced, or manufactured in the United States, and commodities of foreign origin which have been changed in the United States from the form in which they were imported, or which have been enhanced in value by further manufacture in the United States. Exports of foreign merchandise include commodities of foreign origin which have entered the United States as imports and which, at the time of exportation, are in substantially the same condition as when imported.

The dollar value shown in the export statistics is defined generally as the f.a.s. value at the U.S. port of exportation. These values have not been adjusted for changes in price level.

In general, compiling procedures provide for the inclusion of shipments in the statistics for the month of export.[2] However, as indicated above for imports, because of processing problems there has always been a carryover of a small percentage of shipments from their actual month of shipment to a subsequent month, usually the following month. The statement above regarding the effect of the import carryover generally applies to exports also.

Revisions to the Statistics

Revisions are carried into the statistics on a periodic basis. Data for 1970 and 1971 appearing in the 1971 monthly issues of this report are presented as follows:

1971 Statistics

a. January through November 1971 issues: figures are as originally issued, except as noted below.

b. December 1971 issue: figures reflect revisions for prior months of the year issued with December 1971 statistics.

1970 Statistics

a. January through May 1971 issues: figures reflect revisions issued with December 1970 statistics or earlier.

b. June through December 1971 issues: figures reflect revisions to 1970 data issued with June 1971 statistics.

In addition to the revisions which are made on a periodic basis, instances may occur where a significant error in the statistics for a month of the current year is discovered after the statistics for that month are compiled. If the error is of sufficient importance to require correction prior to the time that the regular revisions are carried, the correction is made and so noted in this report.

Sources of Further Information

Additional information regarding foreign trade statistics coverage, valuation, etc., is contained in the following publications: Report FT 990, Highlights of U.S. Export and Import Trade; FT 135, U.S. Imports, General and Consumption, Schedule A Commodity and Country; FT 410, U.S. Exports, Schedule B Commodity and Country; and the Guide to Foreign Trade Statistics. Information regarding additional sources of statistics, the methodology used in seasonally adjusting the data, and other matters relating to foreign trade statistics may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233.

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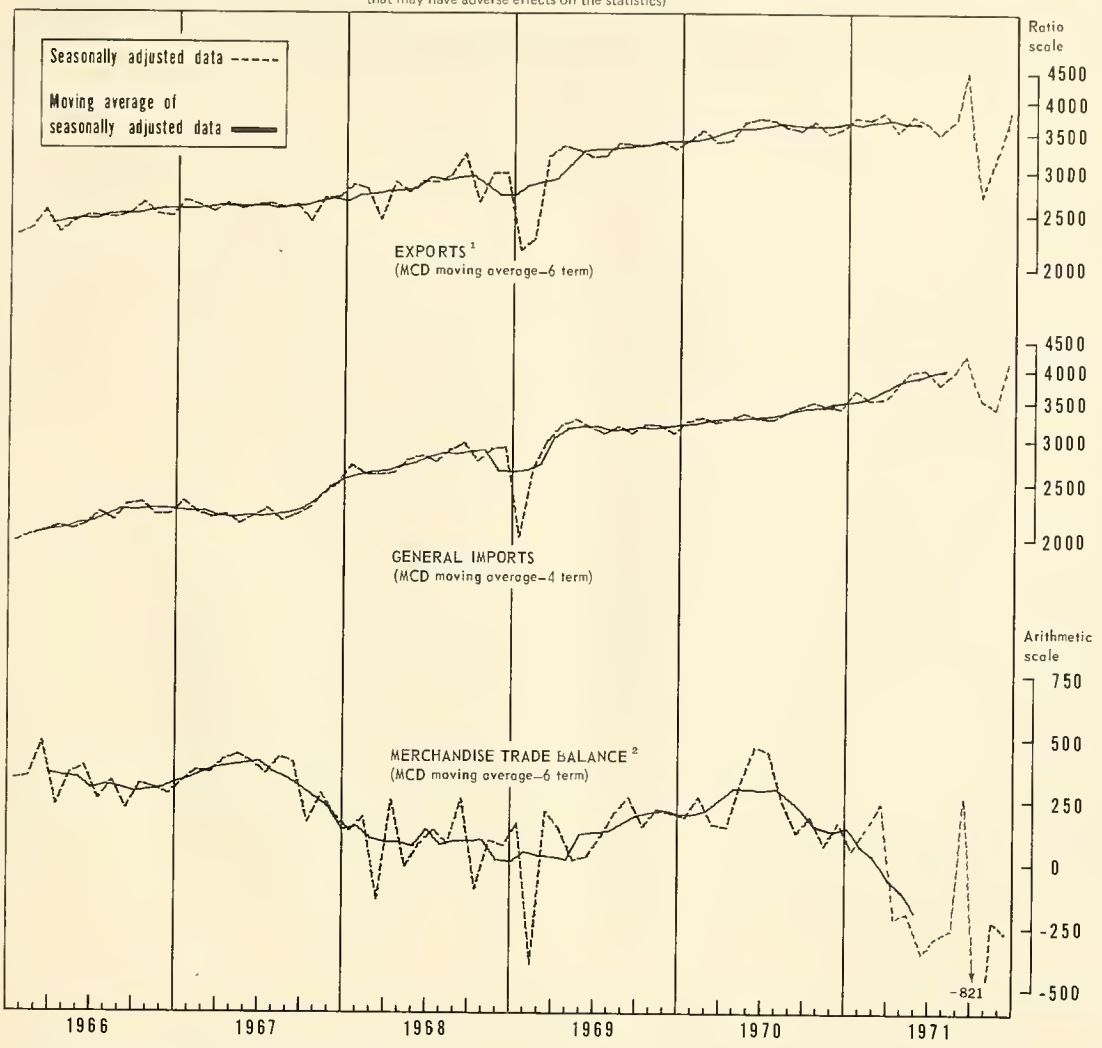
[1] For shipments by vessel, merchandise is not included in the statistics prior to the date of formal entrance of the vessel (i.e., the date of the inward customs manifest for the vessel).

[2] With minor exceptions, the date of export for shipments other than by mail is the date when the shipment leaves the United States, or, in the case of vessel or air shipments, the date when the carrier departs (or is cleared) from the port of export. For mail shipments, the date of export is considered to be the date of mailing.

U.S. Exports, General Imports, and Merchandise Trade Balance, Adjusted for Seasonal and Working-Day Variation: January 1966 to December 1971

(In millions of dollars. Data are not adjusted for unusual changes in the level of activity or coverage such as happens during strikes and other events that may have adverse effects on the statistics)



[1] Represents exports of domestic and foreign merchandise excluding Department of Defense Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments.
[2] Defined as exports (see footnote 1, above) minus general imports.

Table 1. U.S. Exports and General Imports of Merchandise Showing Unadjusted Calendar Year Totals and Monthly Totals, Adjusted for Seasonal and Working-Day Variation: January 1970 to December 1971

(In millions of dollars)

Period and series	Unadjusted calendar year total[1]	Adjusted for seasonal and working-day variation[2]											
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Septem-ber	October	November	December
1970													
Exports[3].....	42,659.3	3,405.6	3,546.5	3,375.0	3,410.0	3,660.9	3,726.9	3,703.6	3,591.4	3,552.7	3,688.0	3,499.4	3,569.2
Imports.....	39,951.6	3,222.4	3,279.3	3,219.2	3,262.0	3,337.3	3,265.2	3,353.9	3,346.1	3,423.0	3,498.4	3,428.0	3,401.5
Merchandise trade balance[4].	+2,707.7	+183.2	+267.2	+155.8	+148.0	+323.6	+461.7	+449.7	+245.3	+129.7	+189.6	+71.4	+167.7
1971													
Exports[3].....	43,555.3	3,733.3	3,690.9	3,814.6	3,521.3	3,782.6	3,660.7	3,492.7	3,678.0	4,510.6	2,709.9	3,159.7	3,858.6
Imports.....	45,602.1	3,683.4	3,550.1	3,564.9	3,753.6	3,983.2	4,018.6	3,789.7	3,934.3	4,245.2	3,531.3	3,386.9	4,132.3
Merchandise trade balance[4].	-2,046.8	+49.9	+140.8	+249.7	-232.3	-200.6	-357.9	-297.0	-256.3	+265.4	-821.4	-227.2	-273.7

[1] Calendar year figures shown are unadjusted and do not represent the sum of individual monthly totals which have been adjusted for seasonal and working-day variation.
[2] Data for 1970 and 1971 reflect seasonal adjustment factors introduced in January 1971.
[3] Figures represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise excluding Department of Defense Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid shipments.
[4] Defined as exports (see footnote 3, above) minus general imports.

Table 2. U.S. Exports of Merchandise Showing Department of Defense (DOD) Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid Shipments, by Month: January 1970 to December 1971

(In millions of dollars. Unadjusted totals represent sum of unrounded figures and hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Period	Exports excluding DOD Grant-Aid			Exports including DOD Grant-Aid		DOD Grant-Aid[2]		
	Domestic and foreign, seasonally adjusted[1]	Domestic and foreign, unadjusted	Domestic, unadjusted	Domestic and foreign, unadjusted	Domestic, unadjusted	Total	Western Europe	Other countries
1970								
January-December	([3])	42,659.3	42,025.4	43,224.0	42,590.1	564.7	190.9	373.8
Monthly average	3,560.8	3,554.9	3,502.1	3,602.0	3,549.2	47.1	15.9	31.2
January	3,405.6	3,230.2	3,187.6	3,290.6	3,248.1	60.4	26.7	33.7
February	3,546.5	3,386.9	3,334.4	3,430.8	3,378.3	43.9	8.9	35.0
March	3,375.0	3,576.8	3,537.9	3,619.1	3,580.1	42.3	8.5	33.7
April	3,410.0	3,597.9	3,542.8	3,647.3	3,592.3	49.4	21.1	28.3
May	3,660.9	3,906.2	3,844.9	3,939.8	3,878.6	33.7	13.0	20.6
June	3,726.9	3,714.6	3,667.2	3,766.4	3,718.9	51.7	24.6	27.1
July	3,703.6	3,554.0	3,492.4	3,596.7	3,535.1	42.7	16.0	26.6
August	3,591.4	3,263.9	3,214.5	3,304.7	3,255.4	40.9	16.5	24.4
September	3,552.7	3,334.6	3,282.0	3,373.5	3,320.9	38.9	11.1	27.8
October	3,688.0	3,915.9	3,843.1	3,974.5	3,901.7	58.6	9.9	48.7
November	3,499.4	3,494.2	3,445.1	3,544.9	3,495.8	50.7	8.9	41.7
December	3,569.2	3,684.1	3,633.3	3,735.8	3,685.0	51.7	25.6	26.1
1971								
January-December	([3])	43,555.3	42,915.9	44,136.6	43,497.2	581.3	272.4	308.9
Monthly average	3,634.4	3,629.6	3,576.3	3,678.1	3,624.8	48.4	22.7	25.7
January	3,733.3	3,479.8	3,431.6	3,530.3	3,482.1	50.5	22.6	27.9
February	3,690.9	3,528.1	3,471.5	3,559.4	3,502.8	31.3	13.2	18.0
March	3,814.6	4,107.9	4,058.5	4,156.0	4,106.6	48.1	23.4	24.7
April	3,521.3	3,805.5	3,741.6	3,849.5	3,785.6	44.0	17.0	27.0
May	3,782.6	3,913.5	3,854.3	3,970.4	3,911.2	56.9	42.7	14.2
June	3,660.7	3,685.6	3,624.7	3,740.1	3,679.2	54.5	28.3	26.2
July	3,492.7	3,338.3	3,292.9	3,395.9	3,350.6	57.7	24.5	33.1
August	3,678.0	3,366.5	3,319.4	3,424.1	3,377.0	57.6	28.1	29.5
September	4,510.6	4,235.1	4,169.7	4,264.9	4,209.5	39.8	17.4	22.3
October	2,709.9	2,827.8	2,775.6	2,893.2	2,841.0	65.4	32.5	32.8
November	3,159.7	3,220.7	3,176.4	3,263.9	3,219.5	43.2	16.3	26.8
December	3,858.6	4,056.5	3,999.6	4,088.9	4,032.1	32.5	6.1	26.3

[1]Adjusted for seasonal and working-day variation using seasonal adjustment factors introduced in January 1971.
[2]Data differ from those released in Department of Defense reports because of a difference in statistical definitions. For a further explanation, see footnote 2, table E-1, Report FT 990, Highlights of U.S. Exports and Imports.
[3]Annual totals are not shown for seasonally adjusted data. Unadjusted data should be used for annual totals.

Table 3. U.S. Imports of Merchandise, by Month: January 1970 to December 1971

(In millions of dollars. Unadjusted totals represent sum of unrounded figures and hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Period	1970			1971		
	General imports		Imports for consumption, unadjusted	General imports		Imports for consumption, unadjusted
	Seasonally adjusted[1]	Unadjusted		Seasonally adjusted[1]	Unadjusted	
January-December	([2])	39,951.6	39,756.1	([2])	45,602.1	45,545.9
Monthly average	3,328.0	3,329.3	3,313.0	3,797.8	3,800.2	3,795.5
January	3,222.4	3,125.1	3,114.6	3,683.4	3,419.3	3,430.8
February	3,279.3	2,947.4	2,932.4	3,550.1	3,190.8	3,178.6
March	3,219.2	3,382.1	3,366.6	3,564.9	3,906.8	3,879.0
April	3,262.0	3,389.9	3,373.4	3,753.6	3,893.2	3,857.3
May	3,337.3	3,175.1	3,129.7	3,983.2	3,840.6	3,844.3
June	3,265.2	3,503.9	3,545.7	4,018.6	4,278.2	4,247.4
July	3,253.9	3,310.8	3,312.8	3,789.7	3,690.4	3,671.6
August	3,346.1	3,115.9	3,101.2	3,934.3	3,844.2	3,810.3
September	3,423.0	3,446.6	3,424.4	4,245.2	4,253.7	4,420.0
October	3,498.4	3,596.7	3,585.9	3,531.3	3,471.6	3,516.6
November	3,428.0	3,405.4	3,358.4	3,386.9	3,530.5	3,520.0
December	3,401.5	3,552.5	3,511.0	4,132.3	4,282.7	4,169.8

[1]Adjusted for seasonal and working-day variation using seasonal adjustment factors introduced in January 1971.
[2]Annual totals are not shown for seasonally adjusted data. Unadjusted data should be used for annual totals.

Table 4. U.S. Exports of Domestic Merchandise Including Department of Defense (DOD) Military Assistance Program Grant-Aid Shipments--Schedule B Sections and Selected Divisions, Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted, by Month: January 1970 to December 1971

(In millions of dollars. Unadjusted totals represent sum of unrounded figures and hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Period	Schedule B sections and selected divisions[1]												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7[2]	71	72	73	8	9
	Seasonally adjusted[3]												
1970													
Monthly average	363.1	58.3	385.0	132.6	[4]41.1	319.3	422.6	1,493.2	701.0	250.4	542.1	214.7	[4]124.7
January	325.3	48.4	344.0	106.3	[4]31.1	332.5	445.2	1,477.6	662.0	225.1	530.2	212.3	[4]123.9
February	365.4	53.7	365.8	120.4	[4]26.6	339.0	444.3	1,470.2	680.7	262.2	554.7	217.7	[4]113.4
March	310.7	68.4	365.9	133.5	[4]50.4	329.1	416.7	1,394.0	657.3	228.1	517.8	214.1	[4]117.2
April	316.7	62.0	387.6	126.7	[4]31.1	301.8	426.9	1,426.8	622.4	234.3	558.1	200.6	[4]115.2
May	328.2	59.5	373.8	126.5	[4]41.6	324.2	439.6	1,591.1	669.3	246.9	721.8	203.8	[4]118.6
June	347.0	63.4	405.7	129.8	[4]55.2	337.8	442.5	1,525.8	720.4	264.7	536.3	225.4	[4]154.7
July	383.3	61.7	391.1	135.6	[4]43.9	316.8	441.8	1,547.9	729.3	254.2	561.1	219.0	[4]135.0
August	386.6	47.4	416.8	122.1	[4]40.4	307.2	423.3	1,494.4	729.6	254.6	501.6	211.8	[4]118.9
September	383.1	51.6	403.4	129.9	[4]44.0	303.0	394.4	1,457.2	734.3	247.4	490.1	213.6	[4]112.9
October	419.2	59.1	385.9	155.6	[4]40.2	327.5	415.4	1,639.7	771.5	263.8	590.7	222.5	[4]115.4
November	391.1	66.0	368.0	132.1	[4]32.5	304.4	393.1	1,478.3	711.6	263.2	497.9	222.1	[4]115.8
December	400.0	58.0	412.2	173.1	[4]56.0	308.4	388.5	1,415.7	724.0	260.3	445.4	213.9	[4]155.4
1971													
Monthly average	364.4	63.2	361.4	125.5	[4]51.3	319.6	367.8	1,621.5	710.3	255.9	656.9	227.9	[4]127.9
January	389.6	87.6	387.9	146.8	[4]51.7	303.7	397.2	1,650.8	788.7	264.1	531.9	218.4	[4]137.9
February	370.5	63.4	370.4	148.1	[4]51.5	312.8	365.5	1,631.1	694.6	253.9	710.0	222.9	[4]113.8
March	378.6	79.5	401.4	142.3	[4]56.5	317.8	370.8	1,742.6	726.5	241.3	786.6	227.2	[4]117.3
April	332.7	73.6	365.8	135.1	[4]54.2	293.9	357.6	1,519.3	663.4	236.6	606.2	214.1	[4]156.6
May	374.7	69.3	350.4	142.2	[4]49.2	320.2	357.6	1,710.0	684.5	256.0	823.2	230.4	[4]146.5
June	341.4	63.2	357.6	120.7	[4]49.3	341.1	375.8	1,597.9	699.0	238.3	654.8	235.5	[4]135.3
July	329.2	71.8	326.1	103.0	[4]62.7	358.4	372.6	1,504.3	662.7	254.8	586.9	227.0	[4]134.9
August	328.2	80.2	347.7	158.1	[4]45.4	386.1	375.5	1,582.3	682.1	255.0	649.7	238.5	[4]125.3
September	468.9	98.7	433.3	139.6	[4]58.1	451.3	454.4	1,937.5	887.0	305.4	763.7	261.1	[4]122.0
October	263.5	8.0	249.6	81.6	[4]40.6	210.3	260.5	1,395.4	589.8	226.9	567.9	182.8	[4]124.7
November	347.8	8.3	328.4	60.7	[4]37.0	234.1	324.3	1,527.2	672.6	244.7	601.1	214.3	[4]107.1
December	447.3	54.2	417.8	128.0	[4]58.9	305.7	401.7	1,659.1	773.0	293.8	600.5	262.2	[4]113.8
	Unadjusted												
1970													
January-December	4,356.3	701.7	4,604.8	1,594.7	493.0	3,825.6	5,065.2	17,881.9	8,380.1	2,999.2	6,502.6	2,570.7	1,496.3
Monthly average	363.0	58.5	383.7	132.9	41.1	318.8	422.1	1,490.2	698.3	249.9	541.9	214.2	124.7
January	324.0	31.9	346.4	88.3	31.1	310.8	425.6	1,359.4	600.5	220.8	538.1	206.6	123.9
February	350.4	39.9	360.0	98.7	26.6	320.0	433.6	1,429.1	654.1	239.6	535.3	206.6	113.4
March	314.1	56.7	367.7	119.9	50.4	342.3	447.2	1,534.8	722.4	245.8	566.5	229.9	117.2
April	319.5	47.7	395.0	129.5	31.1	325.1	452.1	1,565.2	693.3	246.8	625.1	212.0	115.2
May	324.9	56.3	388.4	135.1	41.6	353.4	484.0	1,764.5	737.5	264.0	763.0	211.9	118.6
June	337.3	59.1	406.5	142.6	55.2	340.9	455.3	1,545.7	727.6	271.6	546.5	221.6	154.7
July	376.8	53.0	359.8	141.0	43.9	326.9	417.5	1,467.4	732.2	244.8	490.4	213.7	135.0
August	361.0	43.8	359.3	128.5	40.4	304.5	395.4	1,298.6	661.8	236.5	400.3	205.0	118.9
September	364.4	64.7	344.1	147.5	44.0	286.0	380.6	1,365.4	670.4	236.7	458.2	211.2	112.9
October	459.0	75.8	419.5	169.6	40.2	325.6	410.8	1,656.1	783.8	277.5	594.8	229.7	115.4
November	420.5	92.5	409.2	132.1	32.5	284.3	375.4	1,419.2	675.3	253.5	490.4	214.3	115.8
December	404.4	80.1	448.9	161.8	56.0	305.9	387.8	1,476.6	721.1	261.6	493.9	208.1	155.4
1971													
January-December	4,365.0	709.6	4,326.2	1,497.4	615.0	3,837.4	4,413.0	19,464.8	8,501.1	3,068.0	7,895.7	2,733.6	1,535.2
Monthly average	363.8	59.1	360.5	124.8	51.3	319.8	367.8	1,622.1	708.4	255.7	658.0	227.8	127.9
January	381.8	56.6	383.7	119.5	51.7	279.7	372.9	1,489.0	702.0	254.6	532.4	209.4	137.9
February	355.3	47.0	364.5	121.4	51.5	295.6	356.7	1,585.4	668.2	232.1	685.2	211.5	113.8
March	387.7	67.0	409.8	130.1	56.5	335.6	404.5	1,950.0	810.8	264.5	874.7	248.1	117.3
April	343.0	57.9	381.9	141.4	54.2	323.9	388.7	1,706.2	757.6	255.1	693.5	231.8	156.6
May	358.6	64.3	353.2	147.7	49.2	338.8	380.9	1,840.0	729.7	264.9	845.4	232.1	146.5
June	334.9	60.0	361.5	133.5	49.3	347.9	390.5	1,633.0	712.3	246.9	673.8	233.4	135.3
July	323.6	61.4	298.4	107.1	62.7	368.4	352.9	1,420.1	664.0	244.3	511.8	221.1	134.9
August	308.9	74.4	302.5	167.3	45.4	385.4	352.2	1,382.9	623.4	238.4	521.1	232.8	125.3
September	444.9	122.7	369.2	158.2	58.1	424.7	436.3	1,815.5	808.9	291.7	714.8	258.0	122.0
October	284.1	10.1	266.5	87.1	40.6	205.3	253.0	1,384.2	588.0	234.6	561.6	185.4	124.7
November	381.9	12.0	371.7	62.1	37.0	223.1	315.2	1,498.2	653.1	240.3	604.7	211.3	107.1
December	460.3	76.2	463.3	122.1	58.9	309.1	409.3	1,760.3	783.1	300.5	676.7	258.7	113.8

[1]Schedule B section and selected division descriptions are as follows:

0. Food and live animals
1. Beverages and tobacco
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats
5. Chemicals
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material
7. Machinery and transport equipment
   - 71. Machinery, other than electric
   - 72. Electrical machinery, apparatus, and appliances
   - 73. Transport equipment
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.c.
9. Commodities and transactions not classified according to kind

[2]Seasonally adjusted figures for section 7 may differ slightly from the sum of divisions 71,72, and 73 since each is independently adjusted.

[3]Adjusted for seasonal and working-day variation using seasonal adjustment factors introduced in January 1971. Annual totals are not shown for seasonally adjusted data. Unadjusted data should be used for annual totals. The adjusted section totals in this table and similar overall monthly totals in tables 1 and 2 were adjusted independently.

[4]In the absence of demonstrable seasonal patterns for this section, no seasonal adjustment factors have been applied to date.

Table 5. U.S. General Imports-Schedule A Sections, Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted by Month: January 1970 to December 1971

(In millions of dollars. Unadjusted totals represent sum of unrounded figures and hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Period	Schedule A sections[1]									
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Seasonally adjusted[2]									
1970										
Monthly average	448.0	71.3	275.8	256.1	[3]13.3	121.0	703.3	930.8	403.0	[3]106.2
January	467.5	65.9	284.2	247.7	[3]9.6	117.3	705.3	877.4	385.0	[3]89.2
February	440.6	68.5	287.5	277.3	[3]8.6	118.6	668.5	910.3	393.1	[3]89.6
March	439.1	61.4	273.2	265.7	[3]10.2	114.9	676.7	886.4	389.6	[3]98.2
April	454.4	66.2	263.8	247.6	[3]10.1	116.8	637.2	949.3	392.1	[3]107.5
May	442.8	72.5	284.3	252.6	[3]14.2	121.8	684.4	911.0	410.8	[3]95.6
June	455.5	75.9	270.2	249.8	[3]21.1	122.8	675.1	918.6	401.2	[3]111.7
July	427.6	80.4	276.5	216.4	[3]13.1	120.5	709.8	934.8	393.4	[3]113.9
August	465.4	70.6	281.6	265.9	[3]14.9	129.9	700.6	923.4	418.1	[3]105.7
September	441.8	68.5	297.2	252.0	[3]9.2	119.9	708.4	1,011.2	414.2	[3]118.1
October	451.1	73.5	269.5	260.7	[3]16.0	129.1	756.7	987.6	430.2	[3]120.8
November	439.4	81.1	269.0	271.0	[3]11.3	123.9	755.8	966.7	407.4	[3]108.3
December	451.3	70.6	252.6	266.2	[3]21.3	116.6	761.2	893.0	401.0	[3]115.0
1971										
Monthly average	461.3	76.2	281.3	310.8	[3]14.3	135.0	795.3	1,159.0	449.2	[3]123.0
January	520.6	63.6	253.0	252.5	[3]11.9	135.5	808.1	1,102.1	447.1	[3]117.6
February	411.6	60.3	241.9	253.3	[3]15.5	134.5	746.5	1,114.5	445.7	[3]109.4
March	409.2	62.9	298.3	270.9	[3]16.1	124.0	737.9	1,099.4	433.9	[3]122.1
April	485.6	65.8	283.0	273.4	[3]17.6	132.1	760.8	1,128.4	460.9	[3]125.1
May	477.1	82.4	293.1	329.6	[3]15.8	148.6	830.4	1,154.6	462.6	[3]127.3
June	482.9	99.8	318.0	309.8	[3]13.9	145.7	884.1	1,203.0	476.1	[3]124.1
July	493.0	101.5	323.6	322.5	[3]12.0	154.9	799.7	1,076.2	414.6	[3]132.6
August	537.5	117.4	278.6	323.6	[3]11.0	146.3	829.1	1,237.0	419.3	[3]120.5
September	612.5	113.5	306.5	350.7	[3]17.6	179.5	865.0	1,279.9	442.1	[3]112.6
October	299.2	53.7	252.5	333.5	[3]13.5	118.0	723.9	1,175.0	431.1	[3]127.1
November	299.8	41.2	245.6	360.9	[3]12.1	88.7	676.4	1,148.6	417.3	[3]116.9
December	506.0	51.8	281.2	348.6	[3]14.8	112.5	881.4	1,188.7	540.0	[3]140.3
	Unadjusted									
1970										
January-December	5,374.7	855.0	3,307.2	3,074.7	159.6	1,450.2	8,438.3	11,171.7	4,846.3	1,273.8
Monthly average	447.9	71.3	275.6	256.2	13.3	120.9	703.2	931.0	403.9	106.2
January	431.5	68.0	271.4	274.7	9.6	112.2	656.7	861.6	350.4	89.2
February	411.5	63.7	244.7	279.3	8.6	110.8	570.2	843.0	325.9	89.8
March	473.0	64.8	272.3	296.6	10.2	129.0	698.4	959.0	380.6	98.3
April	488.5	71.5	259.9	244.9	10.1	133.2	691.3	1,011.0	372.1	107.5
May	409.1	64.9	280.6	224.3	14.2	121.7	692.0	909.2	363.6	95.6
June	475.5	70.9	298.3	246.8	21.1	121.1	730.4	1,009.6	418.5	111.7
July	436.2	68.2	279.9	213.1	13.1	113.7	726.2	897.4	449.3	113.9
August	434.7	49.8	290.7	255.5	14.9	124.9	654.4	735.0	450.3	105.7
September	444.0	63.5	300.1	240.4	9.2	111.8	736.0	965.7	457.7	118.1
October	459.2	87.9	275.7	253.4	16.0	130.8	766.5	1,017.2	469.3	120.8
November	423.2	95.0	266.0	237.4	11.3	119.8	761.9	976.3	406.2	108.3
December	488.3	86.9	267.8	308.3	21.3	121.2	754.4	986.7	402.6	115.0
1971										
January-December	5,531.2	875.5	3,384.6	3,714.7	171.8	1,612.1	9,548.5	13,903.8	5,384.1	1,475.8
Monthly average	460.9	73.0	282.1	309.6	14.3	134.3	795.7	1,158.7	448.7	123.0
January	459.7	63.1	231.0	267.6	11.9	124.0	720.0	1,034.9	389.4	117.6
February	385.7	56.1	205.4	255.8	15.5	125.4	636.0	1,032.0	369.5	109.4
March	458.7	69.0	306.6	315.6	16.1	144.9	794.7	1,236.9	442.1	122.1
April	522.1	70.4	277.3	269.3	17.6	150.4	823.9	1,200.6	436.5	125.1
May	446.1	74.6	293.7	297.0	15.8	150.5	851.2	1,168.5	415.9	127.3
June	500.7	92.7	348.5	303.0	13.9	142.3	947.8	1,312.5	492.6	124.1
July	482.1	83.1	313.9	303.8	12.0	139.9	782.9	986.9	453.2	132.6
August	529.4	86.9	302.0	327.2	11.0	148.1	812.5	1,031.7	474.7	120.5
September	610.7	104.4	308.4	333.1	17.6	165.9	896.2	1,219.8	485.0	112.6
October	290.2	61.4	247.2	309.8	13.5	114.5	701.5	1,157.3	449.2	127.1
November	302.8	50.5	254.4	331.7	12.1	90.2	716.4	1,218.7	436.9	116.9
December	542.9	63.3	296.1	400.9	14.8	116.0	865.5	1,304.1	539.0	140.3

[1]Schedule A section descriptions are as follows:

0. Food and live animals
1. Beverages and tobacco
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats
5. Chemicals
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material
7. Machinery and transport equipment
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles, n.e.s.
9. Commodities and transactions not classified according to kind

[2]Adjusted for seasonal and working-day variation using seasonal adjustment factors introduced in January 1971. Annual totals are not shown for seasonally adjusted data. Unadjusted data should be used for annual totals. The adjusted section totals in this table and similar over all monthly totals in tables 1 and 3 were adjusted independently.

[3]In the absence of demonstrable seasonal patterns for this section, no seasonal adjustment factors have been applied to date.

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